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### **INFORMATIONAL NOTICE**

TO: Medicare and Medicaid Certified Nursing Facilities

RE: MDS Based Reimbursement System - Timeframe for Transmittal of the MDS

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**Effective immediately, the Department is revising its requirement relating to the timeframe for electronic transmittal of the Minimum Data Set (MDS) to the State MDS database to 31 days.** The Department's proposed and emergency rules at 89 Ill. Adm. Code 147.125(b)(2) required facilities to "Transmit electronically to the State MDS database the MDS for all assessments within seven days after the completion date of the assessment." While the change from seven days to 31 days will be made to the rule during the second notice phase of the rulemaking process, facilities are being instructed to make this change immediately.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact the Bureau of Long Term Care at (217) 524-7244.

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